

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Lamar County

MINUTE ORDER

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Paris District

Transportation Code §201.103, empowers the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) to plan and make policies for the location, construction and maintenance of a comprehensive system of state highways and public roads.

Transportation Code Chapter 203 authorizes the commission to acquire an interest in real property that the commission determines is necessary or convenient to construct or operate a facility used in connection with the construction, maintenance or operation of a state highway or toll project, or to accomplish any other purpose related to the location, construction, improvement, maintenance, beautification, preservation or operation of a state highway.

The Texas Department of Transportation (department) proposes to acquire the properties listed on the attached Exhibit A for the construction of new facilities and expansion of existing facility sites. Funds for the purchase of these properties were appropriated by the 86th Legislature, General Appropriations Act for the 2020-21 Biennium.

The commission finds that the acquisition of the properties listed in Exhibit A is necessary for the overall efficiency of the construction, maintenance and operation of the state highway system.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the purchase prices for the individual properties listed on Exhibit A may be expended to pay for such properties, together with such additional funds as may be required to pay any necessary and customary incidental expenses of performing due diligence and acquiring fee simple title to the properties.

IT IS FUTHER ORDERED by the commission that the executive director, or his designee, is authorized to negotiate and execute earnest money contracts or purchase agreements containing such terms as determined necessary to purchase the properties. The executive director, or his designee, may terminate such contracts or agreements in the event that the department determines that one or more of the properties is unsuitable for its intended purpose.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the commission that the executive director, or his designee, is authorized to close the acquisition of the properties and execute any related closing documents, to expend funds for the applicable purchase prices, surveys, due diligence, title insurance, and any other necessary ancillary expenses, and to take other actions necessary to acquire fee simple title to the properties, consistent with the provisions of this minute order.

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Executive Director

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Exhibit A

District	City	County	Grantor	Acres (+/-)	Purchase Price	Use/Disposition Plans
Paris	Paris	Lamar	Paris Economic Development Corp.	36.739	\$240,500	New facility to replace existing District Headquarters; plans are to sell the existing property and terminate the lease with the City for the remainder upon relocation to the new facility.